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STR. MAUI SAFE AT KEALIA; WILD RUMOR IS EXPLODED RETRENCHMENT POLICY OF SUPERVISORS SAVES MANY THOUSANDS

DECAPITATION AXE IN THE AIR, SALARIES ARE CUT, DEPARTMENTS CURTAILED

City Fathers Meet in Caucus with Heads of Various City and County Offices to Decide Course of Action in Lessening Expenses \$93,000 — Attorney's Office Slated for Reduction, Hawaiian Band Threatened and Road Fund Is Facing Crisis

FIGURES IN PROPOSED RETRENCHMENT

| Following is shown the old appropriations for six months and proposed cuts in them by supervisors: | Old approp. | Cut. |
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| City and County Attorney payroll | \$ 4,290 | \$140 |
| City and County Auditor, payroll | 2,310 | 810 |
| Building, Plumbing Inspector, payroll | 2,700 | 900 |
| City and County Physician, payroll | 1,950 | 600 |
| City and County Clerk, payroll | 3,273 | 660 |
| Collection Garbage, payroll | 12,000 | 1,110 |
| District Court, payroll | 2,253 | 450 |
| Promotion Committee Donation | 1,500 | 150 |
| Leahi Home Donation | 1,500 | 750 |
| Salvation Army Donation | 265 | 200 |
| Shelter Home Donation | 1,250 | 1250 |
| Engineering Work | 5,105 | 1560 |
| Humane Society | 200 | 200 |
| Fire Department, payroll | 26,285 | 2000 |
| Maintenance Fire Department | 4,200 | 1200 |
| Hawaiian Band | 13,475 | 1470 |
| Maintenance Kaplan Park | 8,000 | 1500 |
| Park, payroll | 3,165 | 480 |
| Maintenance Parks | 1,000 | 600 |
| Police payroll | 56,165 | 6000 |
| Maintenance Police Force | 6,600 | 600 |
| Maintenance electric light system | 6,000 | 2400 |
| Mayor, entertainment fund | 500 | 500 |
| Meat and Food Inspectors | 1,140 | 240 |

Facing a financial situation, unexpected as it is grave, unanticipated and unprecedented, a decrease of \$93,000 over the estimated revenue made at the first of the year, and a possibility that they will have to face an additional annual loss of \$20,000 with the transfer of the water and sewer systems from the territory to the city and county, the members of the board of supervisors met last night in open caucus and mercilessly slashed, cut and reapportioned all appropriations.

Never has such a meeting been held by this board or those that have gone before. The retrenchment wave struck ruthlessly, without pity or favor. Donations to charitable institutions and organizations such as the Promotion Committee were swept away in the relentless economic tide. The Hawaiian band is tottering—it may go at any time. Already it has been cut, \$1900 having been taken from it for the eight months to come. Salaries may be cut—deputies and clerks in different departments are to be let out—few things escaped the determined movement.

Agreeing to the positive necessity of the move, questioning only the best methods of obtaining results—the saving of \$93,000—the supervisors worked from 7:30 o'clock last night until after midnight, and worked in harmony and with a unity and cooperation unprecedented by them. The wave they set in motion struck all along the line. Nothing was spared in the way of an expense that could be wiped out or reduced. The fire and police departments were cut radically.

CUTTING AGGREGATES \$28,990.
By the time the board adjourned, finally, the cutting aggregated \$28,990 to be realized in the next semi-annual period; and with the same cuts enforced for the last two months of the present period, as planned, the savings aggregate \$40,000 approximately—not half the amount needed to be saved. Almost \$60,000 more was needed.

The need of unparading cuts came like a bolt from the blue. Retrenchment has been talked of for several weeks, but the board did not know until yesterday afternoon that the situation was as grave as it is now found to be, or that the shortage was much more than nominal. The budget had been made up at the first of the year with the understanding that the appropriations would hold up; but yesterday the territorial treasurer informed the auditor that the assessed values will be \$8,000,000 less than estimated—\$77,000,000 in place of \$85,000,000—which represents a loss to the municipality of about \$55,000. Not only a loss in this way, but the county, being required to make up deficits in school expenses, loses another \$40,000 because of the reduction; and this added to the \$53,000 brings the total up to \$93,000.

Determined to settle the matter without delay, by introducing a new budget, as an amendatory budget, at the meeting Friday noon, the supervisors convened again at 9 o'clock this morning, calling the heads of the departments before them, and made the situation clear to them—explained that they had \$153,000 less to spend this year than last—and asked them to cooperate in the retrenchment movement.

So far the reductions and eliminations are not designated as definite. But it is clear that the figures will not be raised—if a change is made it will be to lower them.

The supervisors' meeting this morning developed to be mainly a review of last night's decisions and departments were given an opportunity to look over their payrolls and report back this afternoon on where the agreed cuts should be made. While the sentiment of the board seems opposed to the proposition of cutting wages themselves, some of the members seem inclined to put it up to the separate departments whether to eliminate employees or reduce wages. Mayor Fern and Supervisor Petrie, however, do not join in this view. They have both spoken warmly against cutting wages. Reduce the number of help, they say, but let the scale of wages stand.

In the case of the police department, the reduction in its payroll, which amount to \$1,000 a month, is figured to call for the release of three receiving clerks, one weight and measure clerk, one assistant hack inspector, and three foot police.

All Departments Affected
The supervisors first figured it out in dollars and cents—and then began their merciless cutting. It was an imperative move, as Supervisor McClellan stated, and the city fathers went at it with admirable determination and impartiality. Every department is to feel the blow of their retrenchment movement, clerks in some go, deputies in others, and all the donations are wiped out. Never before has the board made such merciless cutting, but never before has it been brought to face with such a grave financial problem.

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MARSHALL'S FATE IN HANDS OF JURY THIS AFTERNOON

Cathcart Asks for a Verdict of Murder in the First Degree in Spirited Address

The John W. Marshall murder case is not expected to go to the jury before 3:30 o'clock this afternoon. Beginning at 9 o'clock this morning, City and County Attorney John W. Cathcart for two hours and five minutes addressed the jury, in his opening argument for the prosecution.



John W. Marshall, accused of the murder of Charles R. Guertler, whose case may be decided this afternoon.

while Attorney W. C. McKean, the Pennsylvania lawyer who has come here to aid in Marshall's defense, had spoken an hour and ten minutes when the noon recess was declared at 12:30, court reconvening at 2 o'clock. At that hour McKean renewed his plea.

Following McKean it was expected that Attorney Frank E. Thompson, who had acted as chief counsel for the defense throughout the trial, would address the jurors, and after him the city and county attorney will make his final talk. The courtroom was crowded by spectators, every seat occupied and standing room at a premium.

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JUDGE WILDER HAS CLEAN-CUT PLAN FOR WORK

'Let Commissioners Give Up Part of Salaries,' He Says, Discussing Shortage

"Let the members of the public utilities commission sacrifice part of their salaries if necessary to provide funds for some real work," declared Judge A. A. Wilder this morning, discussing the shortage of money for investigation work.

Judge Wilder, who is a candidate for the chairmanship of the commission, was asked by the Star-Bulletin this morning if he believes it necessary to dip into the governor's contingent fund to carry on the commission's work.

"Before doing that, I believe that members of the commission might well give up part of their salaries," he said. He added:

"The Public Utilities Act, if properly administered, can, in my opinion, be productive of much good. As intimated in one of the papers, the successful handling of the work authorized by the act depends in a great measure on making all facts public in connection with utility concerns. If a man's meter, for instance, regulates the amount of gas or electricity delivered, acts queerly, and meters sometimes get out of order even when regulated by the best of quasi-public corporations, that man is entitled to have the utilities commission investigate the matter at its own expense. Sometimes I have thought my meter

CHARLES E. KING MAY TAKE PLACE OF PRES. HORNE

Petition in Circulation Recommending Him to Head Kamehameha Schools

Charles E. King, supervising principal of North and South Kona public schools districts, graduate of Kamehameha schools, and of a higher institution in Oswego, N. Y., will be the successor to Perley L. Horne, head of the Kamehameha schools, provided the petition now being circulated by former students of Kamehameha and said to be backed by a number of prominent Democratic politicians, meets with favorable action when presented to the board of trustees.

That Mr. King is well equipped for the position is the contention of his many friends who are behind the movement. They point out that he was graduated from the school in 1891, completed his education in the East and since that time had been actively engaged in school work, teaching for several years before taking up his present duties.

What reason there is for Democratic politicians to mix into the matter is not known but a former Kamehameha student said today that the Bourbons are busy.

PUBLIC INVITED TO DISCUSS NEW SPEED ORDINANCE

Proposed Measure Fixes Many New Regulations, Limits, Rates and Requirements

After reading over and discussing at length the new speed ordinance, the supervisors at a meeting last night agreed to call a public hearing on the measure within a few days. The proposed ordinance has many new regulations, fixes new speed limits and rates, and the special requirements of vehicles turning corners or approaching a street car. The following are its principal features agreed on:

"No person shall operate, drive or propel, and no owner thereof riding thereon or therein shall cause or permit to be operated, driven or propelled, on any public highway in the City and County of Honolulu, any bicycle, tricycle, velocipede, motorcycle, motor vehicle, motor delivery wagon, or motor vehicle, however propelled, or any vehicle drawn by horse or other animals, recklessly or negligently, or at a speed or in a manner so as to endanger, or to be likely to endanger, the life or limb or property of any person.

"Provided, that a rate of speed exceeding fifteen (15) miles per hour shall constitute prima facie evidence of a rate of speed and manner of driving prohibited as aforesaid and of a violation of the provisions of this section; provided further, that a rate of speed exceeding twenty (20) miles per hour shall constitute a rate of speed and manner of driving prohibited as aforesaid and in violation of the provisions of this section; provided further, however, that a rate of speed exceeding twenty-five (25) miles per hour on public highways where the same pass through country or outlying sections which are substantially undeveloped and sparsely settled, shall constitute a rate of speed and manner of driving prohibited as aforesaid and in violation of the provisions of this section.

"In turning a corner of meeting or intersecting public highways, the person operating, driving or propelling any vehicle subject to the provisions of section one (1) of this ordinance shall not proceed, nor shall the owner of any such vehicle riding thereon or therein, cause or permit the same to proceed at a rate of speed greater than eight (8) miles per hour; and in overtaking or meeting a street pas-

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AD CLUB TOURISTS TO GATHER AT THE ARMORY THIS EVENING

Wallace R. Farrington, president of the Honolulu Ad Club, has issued an urgent call for all members of that organization who intend making the excursion to Kaula to gather at the armory, Hotel and Miller streets, at 5 o'clock this evening. Half an hour will be spent in marching and drilling.

REPORT OF MAUI DISASTER PROVES MERELY A MYTH

Report from Ft. Kamehameha Still Remains a Mystery—May Have Been Sampan

"Maui loading sugar at Kealia," was the brief and welcome message flashed to Honolulu by wireless at 7:52 this morning. It set at rest all fears for the safety of the inter-island steamer Maui, and her complement of 44 officers and men who left the port for the Garden Island shortly after 5 o'clock last evening.

All efforts to reach the operator at Nawiliwili last evening proved unsuccessful. The first of a series of inquiries sent to the station this morning brought forth the glad tidings that the Maui had come to an anchorage at Kealia, the sugar port for the Makaweli Sugar Company before 5 o'clock this morning. Later information received at the steamship office announced that the vessel had met with no trouble on the voyage from Honolulu to Kaula.

The Star-Bulletin at once issued a bulletin announcing the safety of the steamer and her crew and assisted in relieving the terrible tension to which the families and relatives of officers and seamen had been subjected for the 12 hours following the first report of the disaster reported to have occurred about 6 o'clock last night off Barber's Point.

MYSTERY NOT YET CLEARED.

That a large Japanese fishing sampan may have met with disaster was the opinion generally held by the fishing men at the port following the announcement that the steamer Maui had safely reached her destination.

Both the Pacific Fishing Company the Hawaii Fishing Company, who operate with but few exceptions all the power and sail boats in the island trade, announced that as far as could be learned at an early hour this afternoon their vessels were accounted as safe. Manager M. Yamashiro of the Pacific Fishing Company stated to the Star-Bulletin representative that no boat in their fleet had sailed for Kaula last evening. It was stated that this company had no vessel due to return from the Garden Island.

Similar reports came from the management of the Hawaii Fishing Company when inquiry was made at headquarters at noon today.

NO WRECKAGE FOUND.

General Superintendent J. E. Sheedy and Port Captain Thos. Clarke of the inter-island, departing from Honolulu at 5 o'clock this morning in the United States naval tug Navajo, returned to port shortly before 10 o'clock, after the vessel had spent a number of hours in cruising within a radius of many miles off the scene of the alleged disaster. They report that absolutely no vestige of what might be

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COMING TO PLAN ENTERTAINMENT OF FILIPINOS

A. J. de Souza, Manila Capitalist, to Arrive in Honolulu in Persia This Afternoon

A. J. De Souza, a prominent capitalist of Manila, will arrive in Honolulu on the Persia at 4 o'clock this afternoon, en route from the mainland to the Philippines, and during his brief visit here will confer with Vincent Lionson, manager of the Filipino employment bureau, and other local Filipinos, regarding plans for the entertainment here of the members of a large excursion party which he will conduct from Manila to the Panama-Pacific exposition in 1915.

According to information received by the Promotion Committee, Mr. De Souza has spent the last several months in San Francisco in conference with the exposition officials regarding the proposed excursion. The Philippines intend making a large and elaborate exhibit of the islands' educational work, and in connection with this, it is understood that the Manila excursion will include some 50 Filipino students. Mr. De Souza also proposes to interest the governors of the several Philippine provinces in the excursion, in hopes that they may be prevailed upon to make the trip. Several prominent Manila business men intend joining, it is said. It is evident that there will be at least 100 persons in the excursion, and Mr. Lionson intends arousing interest among the local Filipinos in order that the visitors may be given a hearty welcome upon their arrival at this port.

TRAGIC BLUNDERS BROUGHT ON BRITISH ARMY CRISIS; NEW REVELATIONS STARTLING

War Secretary Added Unauthorized Guarantees in Orders to Commanding General in Ireland and Latter Gave Officers Brusque Ultimatum That They Bitterly Resent — Asquith Makes Speech Holding Majority Together but Precipitates New Troubles with Military — Opposition is Jubilant

[Associated Press Cable]
LONDON, Eng., March 26.—Fresh revelations today disclose the fact that the sudden crisis in the British army over the Ulster situation has been brought on by a combination of unwarranted actions and serious errors. The correspondence between Col. J. E. B. Seely, secretary of state for war, Sir Arthur Paget, commanding officer of the Irish garrisons, officers stationed in Ulster and others, together with the cabinet statements of Col. Seely, Premier Asquith and members of Parliament, reveal a tragedy of errors in the past few days. Seely and Sir Arthur figure as the central figures in the tissue of misunderstandings.

COL. SEELY SHOULDERS BLAME.
The blunders of these two threaten to disrupt the army. Col. Seely takes all the blame. He has admitted that he added unauthorized guarantees to the memorandum regarding Ulster service drafted at a cabinet meeting which he did not attend. In adding his notations, he says he believed himself correctly stating the government's position. Paget's blunder was a brusque ultimatum asking army officers whether they would accept Ulster service or take a dismissal.

Asquith Holds Party Together at Heavy Cost

LONDON, Eng., March 26.—It was made public today that Premier Asquith only yesterday learned of Colonel Seely's interpretations of the cabinet orders regarding the government's position toward army service in Ulster. Asquith's discovery brought forth his speech in parliament yesterday in which he immediately stated in strong terms that the government demands of its officers unconditional obedience.

FRESH ARMY CRISIS.
Premier Asquith's speech has proved to be the thing to unite the disorganized liberals, nationalists and laborites who constitute the majority, but it has precipitated a fresh army crisis. Field Marshal Sir John French, chief of the imperial general staff, resigned today, and Brigadier-General Cough, whose resignation is also predicted, openly predicts that if Asquith withdraw the guarantees indicated by Seely the government will face the disruption of the army.

Newspapers Predict General Elections Soon

LONDON, Eng., March 26.—The British papers today continue their predictions of an early general election to determine the extent of support given the ministry by the people in the present situation. Arthur J. Balfour for the Unionists says that the government has demonstrated its inability to cram Home Rule down Ulster's throat.

Villa Reported Alternately Winning and Losing Torreon

[Associated Press Cable]
MEXICO CITY, Mex., March 26.—Official bulletins state that Gen. Villa has been repulsed by the federal forces. There are no details, and the big Mexican banking-houses are skeptical, fearing that the news has been disseminated in order for Huerta to secure further credit.

JUAREZ, Mex., March 26.—The continued absence of definite news from Torreon strengthens the belief that Gen. Villa, first reported victorious, has suffered a serious reverse.

PIEDRAS NEGRAS, Mex., March 26.—Official federal dispatches say that Gen. Villa has lost 2,000 men at Gomez Palacio, a suburb of Torreon, and retreated on Escalon, 100 miles northward.

Wilson Reported Alternately Hurrying New Tolls Bill Along

[Associated Press Cable]
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 26.—President Wilson today told the newspaper correspondents that the South American press stands united against the Panama canal tolls bill and the exemption of American shipping, making, he added, the "world's opinion unanimous." The Democrats of the house have agreed to limit debate on the tolls repeal bill to 20 hours. The bill will probably reach a vote on Saturday.

Eleanore of Bulgaria to be First Queen on American Soil

[Associated Press Cable]
SOFIA, Bulgaria, Mar. 26.—Queen Eleanore of Bulgaria has announced that she will visit America in May. Her visit will mark the first time a reigning queen ever set foot on American soil.

Massachusetts Legislature Would Give Women the Vote

[Associated Press Cable]
BOSTON, Mass., Mar. 26.—The house and senate have concurrently resolved to expunge the word "male" wherever in Massachusetts laws it restricts suffrage qualifications.

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COLORED CHAUFFEUR IS RELEASED, OWING TO LACK OF EVIDENCE

Thomas Blackwell, colored, chauffeur for ex-Governor George R. Carter, posed in the role of a peace-maker when arraigned at police court this morning to answer to a charge of a brutal assault preferred by a Japanese named Nakayue, who swore that Blackwell had injected himself into an argument between Nakayue and C. Lopez, another automobile driver last Monday evening.

The Japanese failed to secure sufficient corroborative evidence against the colored chauffeur to establish a case, with the result that District

Magistrate Monsarrat was obliged to release Blackwell. Taking the stand in his own behalf the colored driver insisted that he feared that the Japanese would do bodily harm to his friend and in taking a hand in the affair, he alleged that he received a cruel over the head with a heavy monkey-wrench which however failed to inflict injuries to the Blackwell scalp. Blackwell's hearing in court created much sympathy for the Japanese and it is possible that the case may be appealed to a higher tribunal. The colored chauffeur left the police station in a dejected mood, awaiting vengeance upon his accuser. A dozen passengers departed for San Francisco and Sydney last night in the British steamer Manx.